



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Masaaki ASONUMA

Application No.: 10/697,249

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For: GAMING MACHINE

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Examiner: R. Hsu

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Confirmation No.: 9039

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

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Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

I. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated June 2, 2006, the period for response being extended to December 2, 2006, by the Petition for Extension of Time filed herewith, please amend the above-identified application as set forth below.

Claims 1-6 are pending in the application. By this Amendment, claims 1 and 4 are amended and claim 6 is added.

II. AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

(There are no amendments to the specification)